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PATENT

Attorney Docket No.: 022101-001800US

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Smith et al.

Application No.: 09/823,649

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For: HIGH TEMPERATURE REVERSE
TRANSCRIPTION USING MUTANT
DNA POLYMERASES

Customer No.: 41504

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Examiner: Goldberg, J.

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 15, 2005, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.